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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

Docket No: Q68135

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Appln. No.: 10/031,404

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Examiner: Shaojia A. JIANG

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For: PHARMACEUTICALS FOR NEUROPATHIC PAIN

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit herewith, a petition and fee to extend the time period for reply to the Office Action dated July 30, 2002, to December 30, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1 and 5 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the following claims:

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2. (Amended) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 6, wherein the neuropathic pain is induced by diabetes or compression of nerves.
 3. (Amended) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 2, wherein the neuropathic pain is induced by diabetes.
 4. (Amended) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 6, wherein the systemic administration method is oral administration.